

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

August 31, 1999

**FROM: RICHARD A. BAKER, Director
Architecture & Engineering Department**

**SUBJECT: COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER UNDERGROUND FUEL STORAGE TANK
REMOVAL – REJECT LOW BID AND AWARD CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT**

RECOMMENDATION: 1) Reject low bid submitted by Warren Duncan Contracting in the amount of \$18,336.00 finding that their bid was non-responsive for failing to meet contract requirements; and 2) Award a \$19,867.60 construction contract to GEO-CAL, Inc. of San Bernardino for the County Medical Center Underground Fuel Storage Tank Removal.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Environmental Protection agency (EPA) and State Water Resources Control Board (SWCRB) have mandated that all single-walled steel underground fuel storage tanks and pipes be taken out of service by December 22, 1998 and removed by the end of calendar year 1999. This project will provide for the removal of two existing non-conforming underground fuel storage tanks at the Old County Medical Center on Gilbert Street in San Bernardino. Both tanks held fuel for the emergency generators on site. The tanks are no longer necessary due to the relocation of the Medical Center to Colton.

On June 8, 1999, the Board of Supervisors authorized advertisement for bids for this project. Eight bids were received on July 29, 1999. The low bid was from Warren Duncan Contracting of Devore for \$18,336.00. This bid was deemed non-responsive because Warren Duncan Contracting does not possess the required "A" contractors license that allows them to perform engineering tasks that are needed in the removal of underground storage tanks. The lowest responsible bid was from Geo-Cal, Inc. of San Bernardino, for \$19,867.60. The second low bid was from George Bryant Construction of Alta Loma, for \$20,017.23. The third low bid was from AATR Enterprises, Inc. of Los Angeles for \$24,181.50.

REVIEW BY OTHERS: This item has been coordinated with John Giblin, County Administrative Office; Bruce Rainey, Arrowhead Regional Medical Center; Eli Montoya, Department Contract Compliance Designee; and reviewed as to form by Charles Scolastico, Deputy County Counsel.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: The project is funded in the FY 1999/00 Capital Improvement Program and is 100% reimbursed by the County Medical Center Operating Budget.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT(S): Fifth.

PRESENTER: Richard A. Baker, Director

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